TOTAL POTATO STOCKS
ON JANUARY 1, 1967

January 13, 1967

Storage stocks of potatoes held by growers and local dealers in the fall producing areas of the country totaled 124.9 million hundredweight on January 1, 1967 according to the Crop Reporting Board, United States Department of Agriculture. This was slightly less than the record large holding of 125.0 million hundredweight on hand January 1, 1966 but above the 124.1 million on January 1, 1962. These stocks consist of potatoes held for all uses on January 1.

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The eight eastern fall States had 43.5 million hundredweight of potatoes on hand January 1, 1967 compared with 38.1 million a year earlier. Maine stocks, at 30.9 million this year, were 18 percent above the relatively small holdings on January 1, 1966. Stocks in Upstate New York were 5 percent above a year earlier while Long Island stocks were up 31 percent from last year. Pennsylvania stocks, at 3.1 million, were down 9 percent from last year. January 1 stocks in the nine central fall States were 26.0 million this year compared with 28.1 million a year earlier. Smaller holdings in Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, North Dakota, and Iowa than a year earlier more than offset larger holdings in Indiana, Wisconsin, South Dakota, and Nebraska. In the nine western fall States, January 1 stocks totaled 55.3 million hundredweight compared with last year's large holdings of 58.8 million. In the major western States, Montana, Idaho and Colorado, holdings were below a year earlier while stocks at 15.9 million in Washington, Oregon, and California were above the record large 1965 holdings. Stocks in Idaho, at 32.0 million compared with 37.5 million a year earlier, accounted for 26 percent of the holdings in all fall States on January 1.

Disappearance of 1966 fall crop potatoes from storage during December was a record high 25.1 million hundredweight compared with 24.0 million hundredweight during December 1965 and 20.5 million during December 1964. Disappearance of 1966

fall potatoes from time of harvest to January 1, 1967 was a record 96.2 million hundredweight. During the 1965 season, disappearance to January 1 was 88.8 million and for the 1964 season, it was 77.0 million.

Movement of fall crop potatoes to chippers and fresh market outlets during December was above last year as indicated by rail and truck unloads in 41 cities. Unloads for the season from harvest time through December 31 were also slightly above the comparable period a year earlier. The quantity of potatoes processed for other food uses (excluding starch and flour) during December was substantially above a year earlier and more than offset the slow movement prior to December 1. The season total through December 31 was above last year. Shipment of fall potatoes to starch factories during December and from harvest time through December 31 were also above the same periods in 1965. Shrinkage, decay and waste during December and for the season, mainly because of the heavy losses in Idaho, have been much above a year earlier. Abnormally heavy losses of stocks on hand January 1, 1967 in Idaho may be expected.

Fall Potatoes: Production, December 1, January 1, February 1, and March 1, total stocks, crops of 1957-66 in the 26 fall States

Year	Production	Total Stocks			
		December 1	January 1 following year	February 1 following year	March 1 following year
	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.
1957 ...	159,784	110,615	92,680	71,670	53,150
1958 ...	184,167	129,630	107,865	83,530	61,480
1959 ...	167,733	119,620	99,430	78,090	58,650
1960 ...	175,042	124,860	105,015	83,720	63,075
1961 ...	204,632	147,010	124,120	97,190	73,825
1962 1/.	195,250	137,995	117,840	93,925	72,150
1963 ...	197,341	138,350	116,375	90,275	67,895
1964 ...	172,190	115,625	95,160	73,675	54,725
1965 2/.	213,823	148,975	124,990	99,585	75,275
1966 ...	221,059	149,934	124,880		

1/ Seasonal groupings effective with 1962: All Idaho and Oregon classified as fall. In Colorado, all areas outside of San Luis Valley classified as late summer and the San Luis Valley as fall.
2/ Revised August 1966 Pot 6(66).

Estimates of Total Resident Population, 48 States, July 1, 1960-67

Area	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967
	- Millions -							
Eastern	70.9	72.1	73.1	74.3	75.3	76.4	77.2	--
Central	80.8	81.8	82.8	83.6	84.6	85.4	86.0	--
Western	28.3	29.2	30.0	30.8	31.5	32.0	32.6	--
Total	180.0	183.1	185.9	188.7	191.4	193.8	195.8	1/197.4

1/ Total U. S. resident population for July 1, 1967 based on projections issued by Bureau of the Census in Report Series P-25, No. 329.

Source: Current Population Report No. 348, Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes held by growers and local dealers on January 1, 1966 and January 1, 1967 1/

State	Crop of 1965		Crop of 1966	
	Production	Total stocks Jan. 1, 1966	Production	Total stocks Jan. 1, 1967
	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.
Maine	35,224	26,200	38,710	30,900
New Hampshire	278	140	266	140
Vermont	350	200	332	210
Massachusetts	1,035	550	960	540
Rhode Island	1,029	100	1,010	110
Connecticut	1,407	790	1,408	810
New York:				
Long Island	7,540	2,600	7,574	3,400
Upstate	8,600	4,100	9,020	4,300
Pennsylvania	6,940	3,400	5,874	3,100
8 Eastern	62,403	38,080	65,154	43,510
Ohio	1,906	625	1,638	500
Indiana	1,166	320	1,363	400
Michigan	8,700	4,650	7,955	4,250
Wisconsin	8,200	4,600	8,200	4,800
Minnesota	12,180	7,450	10,120	6,400
Iowa	435	55	450	40
North Dakota	15,225	9,200	13,375	8,300
South Dakota	600	280	783	360
Nebraska	1,660	900	1,700	1,000
9 Central	50,072	28,080	45,584	26,050
Montana	1,326	1,150	1,360	1,100
Idaho	61,365	37,500	66,050	32,000
Wyoming	630	320	540	260
Colorado	8,575	5,250	8,680	5,100
Utah	1,530	860	1,488	870
Nevada	180	100	176	90
Washington	11,160	5,400	13,690	7,200
Oregon	9,292	4,450	10,385	4,800
California	7,290	3,800	7,952	3,900
9 Western	101,348	58,830	110,321	55,320
Total 26 Fall States	213,823	124,990	221,059	124,880

1/ Total stocks consist of "production less total disappearance to date."

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